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Mr. Don A. Ostler, P.E.  
Executive Secretary  
Utah Water Pollution Control Committee  
P.O. Box 16690  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-0690

Dear Mr. Ostler:

Subject: Dump Leach Area No. 3

Barrick has received at the Mercur Mine your letters dated April 15, 1991 and April 18, 1991 concerning Dump Leach Area No. 3 water quality data and Dump Leach Area No. 3 water balance monitoring and head control plan, respectively. A detailed response to each of these letters is being prepared at this time for submittal to your office at the earliest possible moment.

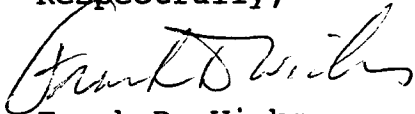
We are particularly concerned with one aspect of the April 18, 1991 letter concerning the Area 3 water balance monitoring and head control plan. The extensive number of issues to be resolved will make it difficult for Barrick to meet your ten-day response requirement. We would anticipate Bureau consideration in extending the response period in the event we cannot complete the work in the required ten-day period.

We are available to meet or discuss with you or your staff any aspect of our Dump Leach Area No. 3 situation and anticipate the Bureau's willingness to resolve these matters as well.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



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